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OBERON AND TITANIA.

HENRY BARRETT HINCKLEY.

OBERON.

WHERE have you been, Titania?

TITANIA.

Down the hill.

The moonlight beckoned brightly, so that still
I could not be. What fay can sluggish lie
When moonlight twinkles softly on her eye?
You shall not chide me that I left the bower.
Nay, look benignly, for I shall not cower.
Bah, I can frown as well!

OBERON.

I did not chide,
And yet it vexed me that you could not bide
With me till morning. If you slight my crown,
That am your husband, then I think a frown
Will little rule you.

TITANIA.

Do you really sigh!
What would my Oberon to droop his eye?
My bow'r-maids all were with me there, and
harm
Befel us never at the dairy farm.
Tho' we make mad with miching on the
shelves,
And spill the fattest cream to feast ourselves,
And sour the milk, and steal the curds and
whey,
Yet mortals never catch us at our play.
They always flounder when a fairy springs,
Mab has her laugh and all the dairies sing.

OBERON.

My Mab of mockery, unwean'd of wile,
There is the tease of witchcraft in your smile!
You make of mortals mock and merriment,
And laughingly elude their every hent.
Less subtly doth the dew of morning slip
From off the purple-drooping harebell's lip,
So hiding in the mazes of the wind
That where it is not prophecy can find.
I know this ground, each tuft, and ring, and
nook;
Each twist and ripple of the winding brook,
Each laughing eddy; but O, who can skill
Each knot and dimple of a woman's will?

TITANIA.

Ay, lay it on the women in fine phrase!
And yet our Puck, they say, has pantry ways.
But we be noble folk altho' we play,
And have seen wondrous things— but shall I
say?

OBERON.

Ah, now the story! Quickly love, go on,
And if I nod I am not Oberon.

TITANIA.

It was not day-light when we reached the ridge
From which the cascade tumbles, and the
bridge
Of sedge o'erarching which each wind divides,
So none but my Oberon derides
The peril of its passing.

OBERON.

Did you cross?

TITANIA.

No, but we sat us on a bank of moss
And there we waited for the sun to rise.
For, in the gray of great Aurora's eyes,
The fair love-planet twinkled, but grew dim
Before the mellow morning. Then the rare,
Slow stars were melting in the dewy air;
And then a sight for kingly eyes devised,
Those hills by magic morning alchemized.
We paused a while at foot of the cascade.
For there, below the mists and rainbows,
played
An elf, swung out upon a blade of grass
To tease the solemn bubbles as they pass.
Anon he dropped on one that broke in spray,
And came up under one, in elvish way;
And floating 'neath the bubble down the
stream,
He ogled till he made my maidens scream
And run away. And so we turn'd aside.
Ah, from the knoll what pleasure we espied!
The rolling tillage where the broom is brave,
The pied sweet meadow where the daisies
wave;
The plot where clover maketh sweet the sod,
And bees make drowsy clover-heads to nod
While they for honey clamber, taking all.
Not ev'n for Mab they leave it, who's so small
She pulls the honey with her finger fine,
Out of that jester's cap, the columbine,
Of which it is the bells. And yet the bees,
What we with trouble, take with greatest ease.

We wander'd far and far, and O so long.
But back we turned us when the moon was
strong

In burning might above us. Oberon,
Look, I have finished but not yet begun!
I should have told you how we witch'd the
pail

Foaming with milk; and tawny-tumbling ale
Came laughing from the cask, the spigot
turned;

And how we woke a bat, and, teasing, earned
A seat ev'n on the blooming apple-bough
To gird the lubber mortal at his plough.

But I have skipped and laughed, nor told you
all.

You'll purse your lips, and mockingly you'll
call

Me gadding Mab, to knot and dimple still
Like young Dan brook that babbles down the
hill.

But if you say so, Oberon, say too
I never yet was faithless unto you.
Love me a little for my tongue at play,
A little even for my woman's way.

OBERON.

Tease how you will, you have a heart, I wot;
With all your pranks, you have your noble
spot.

You wind and wander as the brook doth fall,
Where'er the bend is easy; but thro' all
You are the soul of singing, bright and clear
Unmuddled of a thought. I love you, dear.
For, like the bee to whom the clover yields,
Loaded with all the sweetness of the fields
You come to me; and till you come, I long.
There, turn your cheek! I will not do you
wrong.

DR. HARPER WANTS LAKE FOREST.

Within the last three weeks there has been considerable interest in the reported revival of Dr. Harper's project of affiliating Lake Forest University with the University of Chicago and several accounts in the Chicago papers have kept the subject before the public.

If President Harper could effect an arrangement with Lake Forest's trustees he would not only become rid of a rival but would secure, first, the support and good will of the large number of Presbyterians in the west, second, three large professional schools, one of which, Rush Medical College, he has tried to allure with promises, etc., for some time; third, three undergraduate schools, among which is a female seminary, a department which Chicago lacks up to date, and fourth, an ideal college site—the University property at Lake Forest.

It does not require much time to show that there is a direct issue of fact between Dr. Harper and certain Lake Forest officials. For instance, Dr. Harper says:

"I will state positively that no offer of \$100,000, or any other sum, was ever made to any official of Lake Forest University. No word has been spoken by representatives of the University of Chicago for two years nor any proposition made within that time looking to affiliation, and the story that Lake Forest was to be made the home of the academic colleges was pure myth."

Directly opposed to this is the statement made by "a prominent official of Lake Forest University, who is in a position to speak au-

thoritatively whereof he speaks," that "Dr. Harper has suggested to a man prominent in Lake Forest University that he might procure \$100,000 for Lake Forest providing that institution affiliate with the University of Chicago." This, it is claimed, is equivalent to an offer from Dr. Harper, for, if the authorities at Lake Forest showed any inclination to accede to his proposition, he would unquestionably carry out his part of the "suggestion."

Considerations of the truth or falsity of the reopening of the project being laid aside, the fact remains that three years ago a proposition was made to the trustees to affiliate, which was rejected; not, however, as Dr. Harper says, because it was considered impracticable from the standpoint of both schools, but for other and more cogent reasons. For, as was stated in the account in the Chicago Record, the three points involved in that proposition were: First, the trustees of Lake Forest were to pay over the interest on all invested funds to the treasurer of the University of Chicago, to be expended for Lake Forest, but how they were to be expended and for what ends was left to the discretion of the University of Chicago; second, the members of the faculty of Lake Forest were to be chosen only from a number nominated by a committee, the controlling element of which came from Chicago University; third, the curriculum of Lake Forest was to be entirely under the control of the University of Chicago. It will readily be seen that if this arrangement were carried into effect Lake Forest would completely lose its autonomy and be swallowed, engulfed. It cannot but be deduced from this that a design no less sinister was intended in the last attempt at coalition.

At that time also in an interview with the faculty of Lake Forest Dr. Harper said to them: "When I approach Presbyterians and ask them for money for the University of Chicago they say: 'We have not given to our own University at Lake Forest; how, then, can we give to the University of Chicago?' Now, gentlemen, unite yourselves with us and we will remove that objection."

"I see that Dr. Harper is again trying to affiliate Lake Forest with Chicago," said an officer of Lake Forest University. Perhaps it would be better instead of 'affiliate' to say 'secure control.' It is quite evident that he is trying to make himself master of the educational system of the northwest. Once he offered to place the Yerkes telescope at Lake Forest, provided we

would yield ourselves to his control. To my certain knowledge he has proposed to one prominent in the affairs of our University a definite pecuniary consideration if we will put ourselves into his hands. The consideration is not very large, seeing that he would secure nearly \$2,000,000 in return, together with getting back the amount he offers; for Lake Forest now has in buildings, invested funds, etc., about that amount. Certainly that offer is exceedingly generous—to himself if not to us. I fear Dr. Harper is building on too large a scale; it is all right to make Chicago University the best and largest graduate school in the northwest, but is he not trying to annex too much territory? It was his plan to make Lake Forest an 'academic college,' nothing more, in fact, than a high-grade academy. This he may not openly acknowledge, but the educational plan on which Chicago University is constituted would demand and ultimately secure that. They really begin university work in Chicago at the end of the sophomore year; up to that point with them all studies are strictly required and mainly disciplinary. He would therefore make the courses at Chicago after that period so full and attractive that all students from affiliated colleges under his control would be attracted there, and we would be attracted there, and we would be practically, if not formally, deprived of the two most important years of a college course. Dr. Harper's scheme, therefore, is not for the benefit of other schools but rather for his own. There need be no rivalry between the two schools. Chicago University is mainly for graduate work; Lake Forest is really a college, although it is called a university, by virtue of its having three professional departments connected with it.

"The fact is, that even the Baptists are not unanimously in favor of the plan of affiliating the institutions of their own denomination with the University of Chicago. It is urged in their papers that this will result, first, in adding largely to the number of the alumni of Chicago University with comparatively little expense to it; second, that it will draw away students from the smaller to the larger institutions, especially during the last two years, and so maim the college course; and third, that it would tend to divert funds to the larger institution, inasmuch as, being a part of Chicago University, men would really give their money to the board of supreme control; and so, in every way, the affiliated school would suffer. Why, then, should Presbyterians per-

mit him to absorb their schools? I do not believe that they will, for it would make us form an appendage and not a self-supporting body. What the Presbyterian Church of the northwest should see to is that its highest and best institution of learning is kept from Baptist control."

President Coulier was somewhat disinclined to enter into a lengthy discussion of the affiliation matter when questioned by a STENTOR reporter. He stated, however, that presumably Dr. Harper would still favor affiliation.

"Would a proposition from President Harper be accepted by the board of trustees if it came at the present time, do you think?" was asked.

"Nothing can be told about that now. It seems very probable, however, that they would abide by the decision they reached when Dr. Harper first proposed to them to make Lake Forest a part of Chicago University. Their reason for this is that they can see no advantage for Lake Forest in affiliation."

FOR THE CHICAGO DEBATE.

Arrangements for the second annual debate between Lake Forest University and the University of Chicago are being made by the committee which the Zeta Epsilon and Athenæan literary societies have appointed for that purpose. The challenge sent to Chicago has been accepted by the University of Chicago Oratorical Association and Lake Forest is now to choose the question for debate while the the opposing side will choose the side which it desires to uphold.

The date upon which the debate will take place is during the first week in May and the place this year is Lake Forest. What the subject is to be will be announced in a few days, the committee being in consultation with Professors Halsey and Fradenburgh about the matter.

About March 1 the preliminary debate for choosing the Lake Forest debaters will take place. In this students of the Chicago College of Law will take part. The rule made is that of the three men neither the law school or the College is to have less than one.

It is to be supposed that the Chicago University men will do all in their power to square themselves with Lake Forest for the defeat they suffered in the debate last spring. But interest at Lake Forest is very strong and the material here and in the law school is doubtless strong enough to gain another victory for L. F. U.

J. M. Eakins, George C. Rice, J. E. Carver and R. L. Roberts comprise the committee which is arranging the debate.

SERVICE OF SUNDAY.

Sunday was the day of prayer for schools and colleges and was appropriately observed. In the morning Dr. McClure preached on the Biblical story of a college lad, his text being from I Samuel, 3:10, "Speak, Lord, for thy Servant Heareth." The sermon was one of the most interesting to the students that Dr. McClure has ever delivered and aroused the interest of everyone who heard it. Herewith is presented a brief synopsis of what he said:

In Samuel's life we have the first full story, given us in the Bible, of a school and college lad. When his parents took him to Shiloh they took him to school. There under Eli, the priest, he was to study and learn. Not that he had been untaught at home but that Shiloh offered special advantages for advanced education. There, his parents thought, he could be fitted to become a useful man.

It took much courage and self-denial to give up this boy to the scholar's life. He was peculiarly a child of desire and of love. Sending him away was sending a large part of the parents' heart away. They never forgot him. Each year they carried him a scholar's coat which the mother had made in affection and which the father had watched in earnest thought.

What his course of study was we do not know. He and others probably cared for the tabernacle building, opening and shutting its doors and trimming its lamps, and then received instruction from the priests. It was in just this way that all the first schools of Christian Europe began: boys in the peculiar dress of church schools did what was asked of them about the buildings and then sat down to their books.

It was when Samuel was somewhere between twelve and twenty-one years of age that God came to his heart with a special request for duty. He had always been acquainted with God's name and word and worship, but now God made himself conscious to him in a particular work. Sooner or later God thus draws nigh to every youth, asking him for the gift of his heart or for consecration to some special labor.

Samuel gave God opportunity for talking with him. Many withdraw from God's voice, avoiding persons and places where God will speak to them. To shrink from interviews with God is a mistake. Aaron Burr in his college life withdrew from one who brought God's message to him, and thenceforth he had shut God out from his heart. Something in us is cowardly or selfish or wrong if we are not willing to listen to God.

When a youth gives God an open ear, he is very sure to hear a word summoning him to a larger, braver life. God now asked Samuel to do what was trying for him to do, be a messenger of sad news to Eli. Fidelity to God's wish would bring sorrow to his friend's heart and perhaps might wreck his own opportunity by

causing his dismissal from school. Samuel had to choose between God and himself.

Why does God ever ask anyone to do a hard thing? to take up a "cross"? The answer is, why does the banker throw the coin upon the counter and listen, why does the mason strike the stone and wait to hear the sound it gives out? Tests are necessary. God wished Samuel to be ready for many occasions of good in life. The whole condition of the nation needed strength and integrity. If Samuel is found competent now he will be ready for usefulness. The yoke borne in youth fits lives for larger service. Serious problems come to all eventually. Better to be disciplined early for them than to meet them all unprepared. So God always asks of youth that which requires great self-denial and decision.

For in youth choices can be made involving the character of one's entire future. This is true of evil. Of 236 cases before a grand jury in New York, three-fourths were complaints against boys from 12 to 18 years of age. Even scholars can make wrong choices. John Stuart Mill's life was determined when he was sixteen. Hume was nineteen when he decided on his skeptical views. But good can be chosen for a life-time in youth. Peter Cooper was a boy sitting beside his mother in a dimly lighted room when he decided that he would make a well-lighted building where education could be open to many, and "Cooper Institute" resulted. Admiral Farragut was a swearing, drinking, gambling boy at ten, but he resolved never to drink, nor swear, nor gamble, and becoming a Christian he settled his destiny for time and eternity. Thomas Arnold at twelve knelt down in the dormitory the first night he was away at school and though forty boys threw missiles at "the little Pharisee," he never flinched, and then and there fixed forever his resolute manhood. Life decisions can be made for God when we are in youth.

Be sure to give attention to what God says. Eli counselled Samuel wisely when he told him to listen carefully to God's words and wishes. If a parent has even consecrated you to God, may the thought of that consecration make you the more ready to do God's will. The greatest thing that God asks of you is not too great. It will strengthen, develop and bless you. Be willing to hear and be willing to do, the special message of God to you.

TOWN ITEMS.

Mr. Andrew Jackson gave a skating party to a few of his friends Thursday evening.

Foster Rhea will spend a few months in Chicago, while his mother, Mrs. Rhea, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dulles, in Englewood, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles and Miss Bertha Giles will leave for California this week, where they will spend the remainder of the winter.

On the eve of our Christmas holidays, Miss Bouton's East Dormitory friends at the Academy presented her with some beautiful books.

She was greatly surprised and delighted, but should not have been the former, for it is "just like" these friends.

The week of prayer was observed in Lake Forest last week. Services were held every evening in the Presbyterian church.

Miss Martha Butler visited some of her friends here during the Christmas recess. Her visit was divided between Miss Kathryn Baker and the Misses Grace and Margaret Coulter.

THE STENTOR has the pleasure of announcing the engagement of Miss Lily Ward to Mr Godfrey of Dixon, who was a student in the College a few years ago. All the friends of both Miss Ward and Mr. Godfrey congratulate them on their happiness and extend to them their best wishes.

The Lake Forest Social Union will give an entertainment in the club rooms Thursday evening at 7:45 o'clock. Admission 10 cts. The proceeds are to be given to the "Red Cross Fund". An address will be delivered by Professor Halsey on the Armenian question. Vocal music will be furnished by Mrs. Dudley Atkins Tyng and instrumental music by Professor Eager.

Sunday afternoon Henry Clay Frye died of pneumonia at his home on the College campus. Henry was the five-year-old son of Mr. Frye, the head engineer of the University. Two more children of Mr. Frye are also suffering from pneumonia and everything possible is being done for their speedy recovery. The funeral was held in the chapel of the Church at 10:30 this morning. THE STENTOR extends to Mr. Frye and his bereaved family sincere sympathy in their sorrow, and hopes for quick return of health to his suffering children.

LITERARY SOCIETY NOTES.

Friday evening Zeta Epsilon inaugurated officers and held an interesting impromptu programme. After the inaugural speeches the following extemporaneous program was given: Piano solo, R. B. Campbell; critique on the work of the past term, O. H. Swezey; talk, the situation in Cuba, C. B. Moore; vocal solo, H. C. Millington; debate—Resolved, that the pension appropriation should be diminished—affirmative, J. J. Price, S. E. Gruenstein; negative, R. O. Stoops, A. J. Colman.

After the meeting the president-elect invited the members to his room and a general jolly time ensued.

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Following is the program to be given in the

Zeta Epsilon Society Friday evening, Jan. 17: Current events, J. H. McCune; declamation, R. K. Alcott; talk on "Life as a Reporter," S. E. Gruenstein; essay, W. J. Rice; Ancient and modern sciences, O. H. Swezey; Roman and modern parliamentary law, A. J. Colman; debate—Resolved, that members of Congress should not receive salaries—affirmative, B. F. Hill, G. C. Rice; negative, J. M. Eakins, C. E. Keener.

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The Gamma Sigma Society of the Academy elected the following officers at the last meeting: President, Smiley; vice-president, White; recording secretary, Lawson; business secretary, John Ferry; treasurer, Sherwood.

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The new officers were inaugurated in the Aletheian Society Friday evening.

ENDEAVORERS' WINTER PICNIC.

The midwinter picnic last night was the greatest success of this year, both in sociability and in finance. Two hundred friends of Christian endeavor met in the Art Institute, over half of them in summer costume, and of them all only one went away sorry that he'd come and paid \$2.55 for a basket without a name in it.

The building had been transformed into a grove and some of the features of a county fair were added to the picnic. The wooden dolls were a great attraction and nearly everyone tried to knock them down. The old oaken bucket of cold lemonade and the chocolate kettle were well patronized. The candy booth cleared about thirty dollars and the souvenir stand and fish pond were exhausted before the end of the evening.

The May-pole dance was very pretty and was twice encored. The auction followed, and bidding for baskets was at times very spirited and the lunch under the trees was very generally enjoyed, though some odd combinations occurred. A clearing was made in the woods and a waltz began. Several numbers followed and the picnic broke up.

Gate receipts and the proceeds of the numerous attractions amounted to about one hundred dollars.

One of the Sems lost a very expensive pin on the skating-pond last week and the president of the College freshman class, after hunting all Saturday morning, found it sunk deep in the ice, but only slightly marred. She is the happiest girl in Ferry Hall and he—Good for '99.

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Shall Dr. Harper Have Lake Forest?

PRESIDENT HARPER, of the University of Chicago, is still looking with longing eyes toward Lake Forest and has not yet given up his old idea, that of affiliating this university with the institution of which he is the head. To this effect run the reports which are current and certainly are reliable, both because they come from the most reliable sources and because it is no more than natural that Lake Forest would be a valuable acquisition to Chicago University, as is clearly shown in the news columns of THE STENTOR.

Dr. Harper, of course, strenuously denies that he cherishes any plans which would involve the affiliation of Lake Forest with Chicago and even goes so far as to say that he never at any time made any proposition or offer to the board of trustees. All of which is said in spite of the well-known fact that three short years ago he openly offered to place the Yerkes telescope at Lake Forest and do many other lovely things if we would only consent to come into his parlor and be the under-graduate department of the U. of C. But no doubt the gentle reader knows how excusable President Harper's mistake about this little matter is, for heads of great business concerns, who are constantly engaged in a battle for millions, are apt to become forgetful of trifles and their statements are sometimes made solely to suit the corporations which they represent.

Now that it is evident that President Harper

is still directing his efforts toward securing Lake Forest University the trustees should leave no stone unturned to see that the needs of the University are at once supplied. Their campaign for a new endowment has not been inaugurated a moment too soon, and if the Presbyterians of the west are really interested in Lake Forest they will respond at once and willingly. Unless money and support is forthcoming it would be only natural for Chicago University to succeed in annexing Lake Forest and with this annexation would be combined money enough to supply all the present needs. The cry that Lake Forest is a Presbyterian institution of learning and must remain such is not enough. "Money talks," as the quick rise to fame of Chicago University proves. It is certainly to be lamented that Dr. Harper can boast of his access to the pockets of Presbyterian people who should remember Lake Forest instead of contributing to a Baptist school.

Dr. Harper is a persevering schemer, and when he has his eyes set upon an object he usually gets it. The only way to prevent him from obtaining what he wants here is to place Lake Forest upon a basis where it can be a successful competitor with the University of Chicago and will not be in need of money. Otherwise it will be swallowed up and Dr. Harper will gain what he desires.

Those who have Lake Forest upon their hearts are anxiously waiting to see which way the tide shall turn.

The Charges Were True.

A SHORT time ago Caspar Whitney made serious charges of professionalism against those who have control of the athletic interests at several western universities. The accused collegiate athletes of course didn't like it a bit and entered pleas of not guilty to each and every charge. Such things as purchasing football players they said were unheard of and the several faculties considered themselves very much abused at the insinuation that they were accessories to such wickedness.

During the holidays, however, Mr. Whitney, because his statements were branded as a newspaper man's fabrications, came out with evidence against the offending western college athletes. He presented telegrams and other documents proving absolutely that players were hired by some of the teams and such schemes as enrolling a man in the school of oratory during the football season, for instance, were exposed. The Chicago papers,

which had been inclined to take the part of the colleges at first, immediately acknowledged the truth of Mr. Whitney's charges when his proof was forthcoming. THE STENTOR does not find it necessary to correct itself. We said at the start that Caspar Whitney was in the right and we are now borne out in what we said.

A Newspaper Tale.

IN GENERAL the Chicago press has told the truth in regard to Lake Forest matters; the facts have usually been set forth in a truthful manner. But on the last day of the old year there appeared in a sheet comparatively new and yet one of the oldest, a half-column of the veriest untruth that it has been our misfortune to see for a long time. It is a fairy story, pure and simple, made out of whole cloth. In short, it boldly asserted that a cut in the salaries of the faculty had been made and with this fish-story as a starter, evolved a harrowing tale on the total depravity of the professors' alleged empty pocketbooks.

When shown the article Dr. Coulter pronounced it untrue from start to finish. It claimed that collections are taken for Lake Forest in the Presbyterian churches of Chicago annually and that a similar donation is made each year by the annual assembly. We believe that the story, or part of it, was written last spring and, not being published, the thrifty reporter amplified and rehabilitated his original tale with this as the result.

HERODOTUS ON THE GREAT UNIVERSITY.

"Speaking of great universities", said Herodotus to a reporter for the Gun, "did I ever tell you my experience in the educational line? I do not enjoy thinking it over, for it finally drove me from Greece, but as Vergil used to say 'vice versa.' There was an educational boom in Greece. A merchant grown enormously rich by raising the price of olive-oil gathered together about twenty talents and decided to start a university. He appointed me president and instructed me to make a big thing of it. 'It must be the biggest novelty in all Greece, Herodotus,' he said, 'and you are just the man to make it such.'

"So I went ahead, and in a few months the university was running full blast; but newspapers are costly things to buy up, so when the buildings were completed and the first year's salaries paid the talents were gone.

"Something had to be done. Another talent

was coaxed from my friend of the olives and it went into 'ads'. There were all kinds of 'ads,' editorials, front-pagers, prospect 'ads,' great discovery 'ads' and puffs, till the name of the Great Athens University had penetrated into the farthest wilds of Boeotia. Then a happy thought came to me. I wrote to the three most fashionable nobles of Attica:

"Dear Sir: Accept our profoundest gratitude for your gift of thirty talents. Enclosed find receipt. Keep mum and oblige.

Yours as ever,

PRESIDENT H———".

"The next morning's papers were filled with the account of the munificence of the aforesaid three gentlemen and that afternoon contributions began to flow into our treasury.

"The fashion had been set and all the would-be swells in Athens felt compelled to give. From that time on all was plain sailing. The money came so plentifully that we had to request donors to hand in their gifts at certain fixed times and finally we arranged it so that a talent came in every Saturday night in time for the Sunday morning papers. Yes, it was plain sailing. We had chairs of more things than one could think of, even had he a hundred lungs and a tongue of brass. There were chairs of theology and chiropody and amanuensis, of metallurgy and South African literature. Professorships in all the dialects of Greece and the Fiji islands, in fencing and gastronomy as well as millinery, in bovine anatomy and naval architecture. We had five schools of metathesis, twenty-nine professors of music, and thirteen endowed janitorships.

"But, alas, those old times can never come back—can never come back.

"How did it end up? Well that is rather a delicate matter to talk about, but the end was something like this:

"After we had affiliated every school within two hundred parasangs, and attained a membership of something within a million, I lost my head. The three original patrons and my olive-oil friend, who had considered themselves a general supervising board of trustees, wanted me to remove the head professor of domestic economy and I thought the time had come for me to assume entire control. So I dissolved the committee. The story of the thirty talents was given to the public and there was an explosion. The twenty thousand patrons of the university rose to a man and demanded my death, while the eleven hundred respective chairs were dragged one by one from the buildings, the 'isms' were dispersed, and in three hours the buildings had 'for sale' signs in their windows.

"The university was no more. That night I slipped out of the safe, where I was concealed, and left Greece for ever. But that was a long time ago, and there is very little left of the ninety talents I carried with me."

General University News.

College.

The Academy entertainment takes place Thursday.

Miss Tanetta Gilleland spent Sunday, Jan. 5, with Miss Mellen.

J. A. Anderson has left "Willow Terrace" to room with Ernest Fradenburgh.

Herbert Moore, '96, attended the charity ball held in Waukegan during the holidays.

Might not the weather prophet send us some snow that we might be able to enjoy more sleighrides?

Mr. W. L. Bray is now acting as superintendent of the Sunday-school in the absence of Mr. Fitz-Hugh.

The Misses Williams and Hipple entertained the sophomore girls at a spread in room No. 2 at Mitchell Hall Friday evening.

Ernest M. Fradenburgh, '95, has come to Lake Forest to take graduate work in economics as well as music in the city.

Dave Jackson will not return to Cornell University but will continue his studies here for the remainder of the year.

The first spread of the year at Mitchell Hall was given in the "Nutshells" Saturday evening, Jan. 4, by Miss Jessie Wetherhold.

"Gary" Vance and Bruce Campbell played in a match football game on New Years day and helped Pontiac win over Dwight by a score of 16 to 0.

The track athletic team may be congratulated upon the return of Dave Jackson, who will give both strength and encouragement to that organization.

It is not too early to lay aside the tempting cigarette and pie-crust and to begin training. An indoor meet will probably take place in the city early next month.

Those who are willing to contribute stories, poems, sketches, etc., for the '96 Forester should send them as soon as possible to Jessie Wetherhold, Mitchell Hall. All must be in within two weeks.

A committee of the faculty met those who desire to take four studies the coming semester in Professor McNeill's room Thursday afternoon. With a few exceptions the requests were granted.

Dr. Sho Watase, of the University of Chicago, will lecture before the Biological Club tomorrow at 3:15 p. m. in the College chapel. His subject will be "Luminous Phenomena in Animals." A general invitation is extended.

The class in German conversation under Professor Seward meets every Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in Professor Dawson's room. All students who have had one year or more of German are invited to join the class.

Professor G. E. Vincent, of Chicago University, delivered a lecture before the social science class and others in the Mitchell Hall parlors last night. His subject, which he made exceedingly interesting to his listeners, was "Town Study".

Professor Locy has arranged to be in Lake Forest all day Monday of each week and will also probably be here one or two afternoons to oversee and direct the work of the biological students. The remainder of his time he spends at Northwestern University.

There is one boy in the College who was determined to be back on time, and that boy is Stanley D. Wentworth. Thinking school commenced Thursday morning, he arose about 5 o'clock, made the 7 o'clock train from the city and arrived at the College only to find John industriously sweeping out the yet empty corridors.

Delegates of the Western Intercollegiate Association will meet at the C. A. A.'s clubhouse Friday to discuss the advisability of joining with the Eastern Intercollegiate Association to legislate for the good of athletics. Winners of the separate events at the meet in June will probably meet those of the Eastern meet one week after the contests have taken place. Lake Forest will be represented in the meeting of the association by two delegates.

By the marriage of Miss Martha Behrens to Mr. Lou Keller the University sustains a double loss. In Miss Behrens Mrs. Coulter loses the best maid she has ever had, and Baby Coulter will mourn in vain for the return of his nurse. There is not a "Cad," "Sem," or College student who does not know Lou, and who will not miss him and his genial manners. He was manager of the 'Varsity Transfer Company, and many have been the

loads of students and flour barrels which he has landed at their several destinations. His motto was "Always room for one more." The couple was married at high noon today at the bride's home in Michigan City, Ind. They left immediately after the nuptial knot was tied, bound for Lou's farm near Hebron, Ind.

Academy.

Professor Williams spent Christmas at home in New York.

Professor Brewer entertained his sister at Lake Forest during the holidays.

Betten, Baldwin and Gnthrie report a "glorious time" here during vacation. Pillow fights were indulged in and a "bazoo" trio was formed, which gave daily concerts. Miss Bouton says their Christmas carols were simply grand.

Jan. 3 the work of the Academy started under "full sails" for '96. Most of the students returned promptly. Among the new students are Messrs. Scott and Lee, from Vincennes, Ind.; Stevens, Tiskilwa, Benjamin, Milwaukee, Wis., and James, Lake Forest.

Professor Meyer attended the first annual meeting of the Modern Language Conference held at the Chicago University during the holidays.

Professor Williams, A. McIntosh and R. B. Kyle were chosen by the Academy Athletic Association last Tuesday as delegates to meet with committees from the Northwestern and Morgan Park Academies at the Great Northern Hotel next Saturday afternoon for the purpose of forming an athletic league between these schools.

At a meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association it was decided to change the time of the Tuesday evening meetings to Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The meetings are to be followed each week by a short social season. President Coulter led the opening service last Sunday. There was a large attendance. Miss Fales and Mr. Fagg sang a duet, "Saved by Grace." Next Sunday the meeting will be led by Mr. David Fales. The theme will be "Joy in God's Service and in His House." The Misses Wood will sing.

The preparations for the "Bicycle Farce" are nearing completion. Please note the latest change in the date from Jan. 17 to 16 and do not fail to be present. It is confidently expected that all past public failures of the students will be fully redeemed on this occasion. The entertainment will begin prompt-

ly at 8 o'clock. The program will be as follows:

Instrumental.....Academy Mandolin Club
Solo and Chorus.....Holsteiner's Band
Mr. Henderson and Academy Glee Club.

Solo { (a) Mignon.....Guy d'Harelelot
(b) I Love Thee.....Ed. Grieg
Mrs. Kathryn Neeker Funk.

Reading Selected
Mr. W. C. Larned.

Song.....Over the Beautiful Sea
Academy Glee Club.

Solo—Lieti Signor.....Huguenots
Mrs. Kathryn Neeker Funk.

Play.....Bicycle Farce
Messrs. Yaggy, Ferry, Betten, Fagg,
Warner, Cobb, McIntosh, Casey.

Ferry Hall.

Miss Jane Zabriskie spent the vacation with relatives in Geneva.

The ice has been good, so skating this week has been much enjoyed.

Because of illness Miss Catherine Ford has not returned to Ferry Hall.

Miss Mixer and Miss Morehouse, who have not returned, will be sadly missed the rest of the year.

Miss Grace Welton, a graduate of '94, spent Sunday with Miss Pate.

Miss Edyth Mercer was a week late in returning on account of illness.

Those few who remained at Ferry Hall during the holidays report a quiet time, free for rest and study.

Basket-ball has not been taken up yet, but the girls will soon be practicing again with all the old-time vigor.

"Did you have a good time?" and "Were you glad to get back?" have been the exciting questions since Monday.

Seminary students are glad to welcome two new girls: Miss Blanche Hanson, of Villa Grove, and Miss Linkenhelt, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

The first senior essays of this school year have been handed in, and a united sigh of relief has arisen from the class—until the next essay.

The long vacation was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The few girls who came back late were in almost every single instance detained by illness.

The sad news came Thursday of the death of Miss Carrie Ripley's father, which occurred Monday afternoon at his home in Kankakee. Miss Ripley has the heartfelt sympathy of teachers and pupils of Ferry Hall in her bereavement.

Friday evening at 7 o'clock Miss Helen M. Searles will lecture in the chapel of Ferry Hall on "The Aesthetic Value of the Study of Greek." Everyone is invited to attend the lecture, which promises to be very interesting.

Miss H. M. Taylor has temporarily taken up the duties of instructress in mathematics in the Seminary. Miss Taylor comes here from the University of Chicago, where she took a graduate course in mathematics. She has also been teaching her subject in Iowa. Miss Goodwin, whose place Miss Taylor is holding, is ill at her home in Aurora. She is recovering rapidly, however, and will probably return to resume her duties at the beginning of the second semester.

UNIVERSITY WINS ITS SUIT.

The University has at last won its suit for \$15,000 against William Bross for a subscription made in 1889. Upon a technicality the Bross heirs tried to keep from paying the money. A year ago a jury gave the University the contested sum, but a new trial was ordered, the result of which was a second victory for the University by the court decision handed down during the holiday vacation.

GLEE CLUB NOTICE.

Members of the Glee Club are requested to make a special effort to be present at every rehearsal. The rehearsals are held every Monday and Wednesday evening at 7:15 o'clock.
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